RICHMOND, VA., WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 1913.

FESTIVAL CLOSES WITH 'AIDA' SUNG BY SUPERB VOICES

Verdi's Great Masterpiece Presented in Concert Form.

CAROLINA WHITE EASILY THE STAR

Tina Lerner, at Matinee, Receives Ovation, Even Orchestra Joining in Applause-Betty Booker Welcomed Home and Showered With Roses. Whitehill Again.

BY W. DOUGLAS GORDON.

Closing, as it had begun, in the en-loping lustre radiated by brillian veloping lustre radiated by brilliant stars of the musical firmament, the twentieth annual music festival of the Wednesday Club came to an end last But, instead of ending, as had the concert of the evening before, with a chorus, the festival concluded with one of the most celestial duets M all the literature of music, that wonderful farewell to the world of Aida and Radames as they are automical in Valdames as they are automical in Valdames. dames as they are entombed in Vul-can's Temple, while Amner's stands above bemoaning her lover, and the servants of the gods chant to Phtha. For the work chosen for last night's

Verdi which is commonly considered his crowning work. Written by the famous Italian at the request of the Khedive Ismail, and based upon an incident of ancient Egyptian history, it throbs with Latin passion and pulsates with the spirit of hroading mystates with the spirit of hroading mystates. sates with the spirit of brooding mys-tery that Verdi conceived to be of the essence of Pharaoh's land. Filled with the fury of Oriental rage, ringing with the vigor of conquering men-at-arms, weeping with the sorrow of an en-slaved army, bitter with the haired or a scorned woman, and burning with the hot passion of Eastern love, the opera is intensely dramatic in almost

Opera Thrilling Always.

And yet it abounds in melodic seauty; arias, duets and trios disclose lines and blended lines of most ex-quisite melody, while the choruses, whether they march pray, or wail, are beautiful to the last degree. So that, even without the accessories of settings and costumes and the aid of

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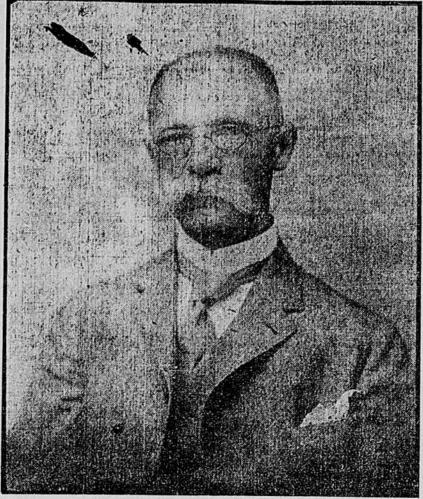
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Is a Farce.

TO PUT COMMISSION

OUT OF EXISTENCE

Head of Recreation Congress



-Photo by Foster.

PROTESTS OF TWO NATIONS RECEIVED BY UNITED STATES

Central Question Before American Government Is Coincidence and Co-Operation of English and Japanese Claims---State Department Must Deal With Both Countries Alike.

whether they march, pray, or wall, are beautiful to the last degree. So that, even without the accessories of settings and costumes and the aid of dramatic action, the opera is thrilling always, and often startling in its tempestuous splendor.

"Aida" was sung, or a large part of it was, in 1994 by the club, with Homer, Gwylm Miles, Frederick Martin, Anita Rio and a tenor whose name escapes ine, who substituted for Jacques Bars when he became "Indisposed" after his arrival in Richmond, but these artists gave no such performance of the work as did those of last night.

BY JOHN TEMPLE GRAVES.

Washington, May 6.—"I am of the school of Lord Pauncefote and his pupil," was the astonishing remark by Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, in his first onterview with the President of the United States to-day.

The statement of the English ambassador is the talk of diplomatic Washington. It is generally construed as a direct announcement to our country of the attitude which he will maintain in the further discussion of the Hay-Pauncefote and his discussion. It is generally construed as a direct announcement to our country of the attitude which he will maintain in the further discussion of the Hay-Pauncefote and his netwise with the Pauncefote view, which he will maintain in the further discussion of the Hay-Pauncefote and his netwise with the Pauncefote view, which he will maintain in the further discussion of the Hay-Pauncefote and his netwise with the Pauncefote view, which he will maintain in the further discussion of the Hay-Pauncefote and his netwise with the Visit of the United States to-day.

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It is well known that Sir Cecil was sent to Washington at this period

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For the title role, the management of the club selected Carolina White, of the Chicago-Philadelphia Opera Company, and a wise choice it made. Dark should have so closely aligned himself with the one British statesman whose and with sombre eyes, she is an ideal name brings up inevitably the contention between the United States and the type, as others had most evidently dis-

British government.

John Bassett Moore, Acting Secretary of State, declined to-day, as althout a note to guide her and as if to elucidate any of the questions that have been urged upon the State

disturbing effect upon the administration.

Government officials in touch with the possibilities of the situation regard to a most completely satisfactory soprano that the Wednesday Club has ever presented.

All Sang Splendidy.

Paul Althouse, the American tenor, who has quite recently "arrived," sang Radames with the same unstinting munificence that Miss White displayed. Although very young, he has a finely developed and true tenor robusto. as

Munificence that Miss White displayed. Although very young, he has a finely developed and true tenor robusto, as distinguished from Bonci's lyric voice, and will, in all probability, become one of the singers of the day. The muchdesired baritone quality in the lower voice is his to a marked degree, and he was the whole voice for the work of the singers of the day. The muchdesired baritone quality in the lower voice is his to a marked degree, and he was the whole voice for the work of the same of the same

uses the whole voice, for the most part, without forcing, though there were occasional exceptions last night.

Japan's protest, it is learned, is very brief, and follows the theory and principle of the reply of Ambassador Bryce to the position of Secretary of State Knox, declining to arbitrate the Panama Canal tolls. Clavence Whitehill sang the parts of Amonasro and Ramfis with the same California, or with what action may be taken by courts or congresses on the

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NATION'S BIG MEN LEND VOICES TO PLAYGROUND IDEA

Wilson and Roosevelt Overwhelming Demo- Four Demoted Police In-Send Letters to Richmond Meeting.

SPEAKERS PLEAD FOR RECREATION

Delegates Attend Congress From Many States and Foreign Lands. Mr. Roosevelt Made Honorary President, With Astor, Mc-Cormick and Others on Board of Directors.

President Wilson and former President Roosevelt, in letters read last ight before the Recreation Congress, which opened its seventh annual con-vention in Richmond yesterday, sent

Uruguay.

The playground folk wasted no time in felicitations, and took up their task within two minutes after the Mayor had concluded his speech of welcome. The opening session heard five addresses and adjourned at 5:30 o'clock for the night meeting.

Applaud Wilson's Name. The reading of President Wilson's etter during the evening session by ceting Chairman E. B. De Groot brought handclapping which lasted for several minutes. The President wrote: "I am very sorry I cannot attend your great meeting, because I have the deepest and sincerest interest in the objects it is seeking to serve. It seems to me of real consequence, morally as well as physically, that the children who are growing up, particularly in our great cities, should have (Continued On Third Page.)

NO DENT IN TARIFF BILL AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

cratic Majority Bowls Over All Opposition.

TAKE UP INCOME TAXFEATURE

Measure Expected to Pass House Unamended To-Day-All Day There Is Sparring Between Two Parties-Love Feast, Occasioned by Underwood's Birthday, Is Held.

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ing Democratic majority in the which opened its section.

which opened its section with their warm commendation of the playground movement, accompanied with the hope that the Richmond convention will meet with a high measure of success. The messages were received with a storm of applause, the large audience showing no discrimination in favor of either the ruler that is or the ruler

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The convention was formally called to order at 3 o'clock yesterday aftermoon by President Joseph Lee, of Boston, president of the Playground and Recreation Association of America. Mayor Ainslie made a short address of welcome to the 200 or more delegates who had registered from twenty-five States and two foreign countries. In addition to the American representative States and two foreign countries. In addition to the American representative Fayne precipitated a lively rules fight by offering a brand-new amendment to create a tariff commission.

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Parliamentary Sharps Astir. Instantly all the parliamentary sharps on both sides were astir. Speaker Clark sat next to Democratic Leader Underwood at the front of the Speaker's rostrum, where Mr. Underwood has been conducting consideration of the bill. Representative Fitzsegrald, of New York, rushed in from the Appropriations Committee, armed with precedents, and followed by Representatives Sherley, of Kentucky, and Hardwick, of Georgia, who joined in the majority protest against admitting the amendment. On the Republican is dee. Leader Mann, Representative Gardner, of New York, and others conferred and addressed the House.

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HONOR TO WORKERS IN FIELD OF AVIATION

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Washington May 5.—Three workers in the field of axiation, one dead, the field of axiation, one dead,

of Langley Day—so-called because on this date seventeen years ago Langley's first flight of a heavier-than-air machine, propelled by its own power, was made—was an exhibition of aero-plane and hydroaeroplane manoeuvres on the Army War College grounds. As-

PROPOSED CHANGE AGAIN DEFEATED

Southern Presbyteries Oppose Amendment to Confession of Faith.

Louisville, Ky., May 6 .- For the secand time the proposed amendment to the Confession of Faith in connection with the much discussed "elect infant" clause has failed to receive the neceswise protected by the rules of the Inauguration of Dr. Smith as sary three-fourths vote of the pres-Is a Farce.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Washington, D. C., May 6.—The
United States Civil Service Commission
will soon cease to exist and will become a thing of the past if a bill which is shortly to be introduced by one of the best known Southern members of the House becomes a law. This bill, as explained to-day, will be introduced some time within the next week or ten days, the member proposing the measure stating for good reasons that he interested to delay action until then.

Lin addition to this there are between 200,000 and 300,000 employes scattered all over the United States. Ninety-five all over the University To-Day.

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Lexington, Va. May 6.—Ceremonles in connection with the induction into office of Dr. Henry Louis Smith as the inconnection with the induction into office of Dr. Henry Louis Smith as the new president of Washington and Lee University, will take place in Lexington, Va. May 6.—Ceremonles in connection with the induction into office of Dr. Henry Louis Smith as the new president of Washington and Lee University, will take place in favor the University of State University will take place in byteries of the Southern Presbyterian Long List of Names From Which

Rev. Givens Brown Strickler, of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, rector of the board of trustees of Washington and Lee, will deliver (Continued On Second Page.)

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plane and hydroaeroplane manoeuvres on the Army War College grounds. Assistant Secretary of War Breckenridge

made the historic first flight seventeen years ago to-day. Dr. Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, in which position he succeeded by Langley presided. stitution, in which position ceeded D.r Langley, presided.

GONZALES NAMED MINISTER TO CUBA

VERDICT MARKS LONG STRIDE IN FIGHT ON GRAFT

spectors Convicted by Jury.

QUICK DECISION CAUSES SURPRISE

Former New York Officers Sent Back to Tombs to Await Sentence Next Week-Whitman Hopes for Further Prosecutions on Indictments Carrying Heavier Penalties.

Most Important Case.

The verdict of guilty marks a long stride in the graft investigation conducted by District Attorney Whitman. The case of the four former inspectors.

year in Sing Sing.

Further Prosecutions.

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The most important feature of the conviction from the district attorney's a scene of intense excitement during standpoint, however, is that it will lead to further prosecutions on indictable as a measure so aroused the interest Tablet to Langley Unveiled and Medals Presented to Eiffel

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Icad to further prosecutions on indictments are pending greater penalties. Anumber of other indictments are pending against Sweeney, and the distribution of the House were jammed attorney's office will now make every effort to bring to speedy trial the men under more serious charges.

It is also known that Mr. Whitman in a ferry-boat," he said after return-

come a thing of use," and he referred to experiments in aviation and wireless telegraph which had centred about the tower as being links that helped to bind France and the United States closer together. Mr. Curtiss, in accepting his medal, praised highly the work of Langley.

Hanging in the hall where the exercises took place was the machine which made the historic first flight seventeen years ago to-day. Dr. Charles D. Wal-

SUFFRAGE BILL FAILS TO PASS ON SECOND READING

This Ends Question as Far as Present Parliament Is Concerned.

RESULT AWAITED BY HUGE THRONG

Cries of Rejoicing Rivaled by Hoots and Catcalls of Disappointed Suffragettes-Defeat of Measure Is Taken as Ofcial Condemnation of Militant Methods.

Provisions of Bill Killed by Commons

It is estimated that 6,000,000 women in Great Britain and Ireland would have received the ballot if the Dickinson suffrage bill had passed its second reading in the House of Commons to-night. The bill which failed would have given the franchise to the following:

(a) Every woman who, if she were a man, would be entitled to be registered in respect of a household qualification, within the meaning of the representation of the people act of 1884.

(b) Every woman who is the wife.

(b) Every woman who is the wife of a man entitled to be registered in respect of a household qualification, and who has resided in the qualifying premises during the period required by law.

No woman is to be entitled to register as a voter until she has reached the age of twenty-five versus.

calls.

The floor of the Commons presented

the bill became known. It was con-tended on all sides that the campaign we have had to take our witnesses where we found them," said he. "But because the reputations of some of them are unsavory is no reason why their testimony is not truthful."

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DEATH OF EXPLORERS DUE TO EXHAUSTION

Party, When Found, Look as

Captain Scott and Others of to die.

"Lieutenant Bowers lay on his side,

Long List of Names From Which Appointments Are to Be Made

Being Considered.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Washington, May 6.—President Willwon was informed through Ambassadar Chinda to-day that George W.
Guthrie former Mayor of Pittsburgh was acceptable to the Mikado as amphassandor to that country. The appointment will go the Senate for confirmation to-morrow. Another side that amouncemence w. Another side that will go to the side of the party apparently was peaceful." declared Gran. "When we came up to the tent in which the hod and the side of the party apparently was peaceful." declared Gran. "When we came up to the tent first and fired the fap. Captain Scott lay on the side of the party apparently was peaceful." declared Gran. "When we all due to starvaties of the side will be a side of the party apparently was peaceful." declared Gran. "When we all their fuel the party apparently was peaceful." declared Gran. "When we all their fuel the party apparently was peaceful." declared Gran. "When we all their fuel the side of the party apparently was peaceful." declared Gran. "When we all their fuel the party apparently was peaceful." declared Gran. "When we all their fuel to side of the party apparently was peaceful." declared Gran. "

Representative Says Present Op- women in the District of Columbia

preferred to delay action until then.

"The civil service as now operated, if half the reports which have come to me are worthy of belief, is a sham, a humbug and a fraud on the American people," the Congressman who is going to introduce the bill putting it out of existence said to-day. "There was probably a time when the commission did a valuable work, but that time has long since passed. It is now up to Congress to stop the continuance of this farce, and I propose that it shall not longer continue. That is all I care to say regarding the matter now, except that I am fully determined to take such steps that the commission will scon go out of existence."

This action will affect 28,000 men and continued to determine the coverceme. The bodies were recovered.

NEW PRESIDENT

Head of Washington and Lee

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In addition to Dr. Smith's inaugural, the principal addresses will be delivered by Hon. P. Claxton, of Washington. United States Commissioner of Education, and Dr. George H. Denny, former president of Washington and Lee University, now president of the University of Alabama.

Rev. Givens Brown Strickler, of Union Theological Seminary, Rich.

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They had hoped to receive the necessary three-fourths vote and see the change formally passed when the assembly meets this month in Atlanta, Returns received up to to-night by the Christian Observer of Louisville show that twenty-two presbyteries already have voted against the proposed change, thus insuring its default.